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Column One.
by David Courtney

THE new bombing campaign in Korea may be intended to frighten the Communists into an armistice. It will be said that the Yalu River bombing temporarily subdued the Communist delegates at Panmunjom instead of driving them, as some people feared, into fresh intransigence. But they were only temporarily subdued. If subdued at all on this new occasion, that, too, may be temporary. Then must arise the question how big and thunderous the bombing campaign needed to subdue the enemy permanently. Militarily, these spectacular bursts of U.N. warfare may be valid acts. Politically — if normal reasoning were applicable to Korea — they would seem to be unfortunate. And altogether they involve the risk that the enemy will answer in kind and for all practical purposes put an end to Panmunjom.

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THESE problems aside, the decision of the U.S. Fifth Air Force to flatten 78 North Korean "cities and towns" affects millions of North Korean human beings. That cannot be helped, of course. General Barcus is reported to have done what he could to help by warning the inhabitants of the doomed cities and towns to get out. Throughout the Korean War most of the people have been warned one way or another of what was coming to them. The Korean grapevine is spoken of by correspondents who worked of the scene of battle, with deep respect; and besides, the guns forewarned. On the whole the warnings made little difference — and there came a time when the suffering people of Korea were unable to choose between the horror of flight through war-scorched countryside and the horror of staying at home to be bombed or burned alive. The radio and leaflet warnings sent out by General Barcus will certainly cause terror and may set off a terror-stricken migration. Where to?

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THE Communist leaders will probably think the warnings intended to block all roads and railways leading Northwards; and may argue from that intention a U.N. plan to mount an offensive against an enemy with its line of retreat choked. The assumptions may be quite wrong. But it will be surprising if the Communists do not act upon them, and, in the motive of war's compulsions, drive back again those who flee their towns and cities at the behest of General Barcus. The ghastly movement of civilians up the Korean roads and down again, the waysides strewn with their carcasses, has gone on a long time. Doubtless it is the way of war and the natural consequence of the aggressor's wickedness. But however high-minded may be the response to such wickedness the suffering to millions of innocent people is outrageous. The Korean War was once described as a police action. It cannot be described that way any longer. It has become something more: something very ugly, to which a stop must be put while there is yet time to save a few lives and few values. If the bombing of 78 cities and towns could stop it, there would be good reason to bomb 78 cities and towns.

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TWO eyewitness books have been written on the Korean War, both by British correspondents, one of whom was in Korea for the "Daily Telegraph" and the other for the B.B.C. Their story of the military operations comes second to their story of appalling human pain, a very great deal of which, by their judgment, was wholly unnecessary. From both books the impression rises that the war is a war of prestige, with original motives forgotten; and a war of ruthless anger, in which the civilian is heeded scarcely for a minute. There is no way for the outsider to check on these accounts, but there is no reason for him to doubt the accuracy of the pictures drawn, especially by the B.B.C.'s correspondent, who is a cool, objective reporter and nothing more. The taste left on the tongue by both books is a bad one; and the taste left upon history's tongue will be a bad one, too, unless the war is brought swiftly to a close. To be sure, how to bring it to a close is not a question that can be answered simply: so far, neither violent nor peaceful means have helped; the stalemate is as obstinate on the battlefield as in the exasperating room. Is the alternative to be a new battlefield or a new conference room?

Tel Aviv, August 7.

Sharett Ridicules Air Bases Reports

Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett yesterday made a complete denial of reports that air bases for atomic bombers were being built on Israel soil to serve a foreign power. The Foreign Ministry, it will be recalled, had some time ago denied the London "Daily Express" report which had said that a base was being built in the area of Nathanya for the U.S. The Communists maintained, however, that the base was not in Nathanya but between Ra'anana and Herzlia.

Their daily "Kol Ha'am" and their Arabic weekly, "Al Ittihad," were suspended for publishing this. In his statement yesterday, Mr. Sharett made a more sweeping denial. He said:

The story of an airfield or airfields, built or under construction on Israel soil, in the area of Nathanya, or between Ra'anana and Herzlia, or in any other region which anyone might imagine tomorrow or the day after, for use as atomic bomber bases for a foreign power to attack another foreign power in the event of a world war, or in any other circumstances, or airfields built on instructions from foreign legations — all these stories in all their versions, published in the "Daily Express" or in any other paper, are ridiculous calumny from beginning to end.

"In my opinion," he went on, "it is an affront to a serious institution like the Knesset... to suggest that they waste time on such a discussion."

Mr. Meir Wilner (Communist) said: "That's being evasive!"

The proposal for a debate had been moved by Mr. Eliezer Peri (Mapam) and Mrs. Esther Wilenska (Communist). Both speakers stressed that it would be intolerable if the country would become a springboard for Anglo-American attacks on Soviet Russia.

Later, Mr. Sharett also opposed a Herut motion for a debate on the situation in the Arab countries and the border troubles. The Foreign Minister said the Government was alert to the developments, and that the matter was continuously before the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee.

Mr. Haim Landau, who entered the Herut motion, said their action had been motivated by the recent Damascus talks of Arab representatives on the Mixed Armistice Commissions, where there was talk of revising the armistice lines. He said the Government appeared to be too complacent.

No Political, Military Talks with Admiral

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Admiral Mountbatten, British Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, had no talks on political or military matters with any Israel officials while on his recent three-day visit to Israel, a Foreign Ministry spokesman stressed here today.

Replying to questions concerning a leading article in the London "Times" yesterday, advising Israel against moving the Foreign Ministry to Jerusalem, the spokesman pointed out that the only official reception for Lord Mountbatten during his Israel stay had been held at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem.

"The Times" had suggested that if the Foreign Ministry were in Jerusalem such visits would not be possible.

U.S. Alone Objected in Writing to J'lem Move

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The U.S. was the only country to present a written note to the Israel Government criticising the impending move of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs to Jerusalem, it was learned here today. The text of this note was finally published by the State Department.

Representatives of five other countries had delivered verbal notes, but only Australia had joined the U.S. in warning that the Australian Legation would not move to Jerusalem if the Foreign Ministry were to move there.

The other countries which merely presented short verbal notes on the Israel move were Britain, France, Italy and Turkey.

7,000 More to Work Under New Budget

More than 800,000 additional work days and 7,000 more labourers will be needed for various agricultural projects under the new Development Budget, Mr. Y. Efrati, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, told the Knesset Labour Committee yesterday.

About 800 urban families are soon to be resettled on the land at own requests, Mr. Efrati said. "More than 800 applications for resettlement have been received by the Ministry of Agriculture, and not only from new immigrants." Twenty per cent of the city-dwellers who applied wanted to move to kibbutzim, he said.

The Central Labour Exchange sent a note to the Committee demanding the immediate end to the discussions on the Development Budget and approval by the Knesset in order to meet the growing unemployment situation. Almost 10,000 labourers were unemployed in July, the memorandum stated.

The Knesset Interior Committee also met yesterday and approved the Cabinet bill on local authority taxation. They fixed the maximum amount of this tax at IL.500 per enterprise.

Summing up reports of the Ministries of the Interior and Religious Affairs and the Prime Minister's office, the Interior Committee announced that out of Israel's minority population of 170,000 120,000 are Moslems, 40,000 Christians and 10,000 Druzes. Local autonomy is enjoyed by 37,000 and mixed local authorities by 22,000. Four Moslem courts and 70 religious institutions are run on an annual budget of IL.35,000, besides IL.3,000 for the upkeep of 300 buildings under the authority of the Ministry for Religious Affairs.

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUSPENDS TOUBI

The parliamentary House Committee yesterday voted to suspend Tewfik Toubi (Communist), for two meetings of the Knesset because of his behaviour at a meeting on July 2. Mr. Toubi will appeal to the Knesset plenary and the final decision on his suspension will be taken there.

The suspension was connected with his criticism of the Army for operations in Arab villages and he was charged at the time by the Prime Minister with slandering the Forces.

IL.2M. MORE IN CIRCULATION

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — A IL.2m. increase in currency in circulation last week was announced in the currency statement published by the Issue Department of the Bank Leumi tonight.

The total rose to IL.102,947,738,500, following a IL.2m. increase in treasury bills to IL.38,800,000. Other cover remained constant: foreign currency — IL.11,738,500, and land bonds IL.77,136,000.

500 in Choirs Turn Capital Into A City of Song

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Jerusalem was a city of song yesterday when 500 youthful and enthusiastic members of the World Assembly of Jewish Choirs sang on several occasions yesterday. The contingent drove into the capital in 13 new Chausson buses under a banner welcoming the guests in the Romema quarter and headed straight to Mount Zion where Municipality officials and a ladies committee waited.

Since the convoy arrived two hours later than the 10:30 o'clock scheduled time, the visitors were unable to visit the shrine. Instead, they gathered near the foot of the Mount, drank cold glasses of fruit juice, snapped hundreds of photographs and heard a welcoming address by Acting Mayor — Eliashar. They then performed for the first time in Jerusalem by spontaneously singing Hatikvah.

At 3:30 p.m. they gathered at the Binyanei Ha'uma for an hour's rehearsal with the 250-member Israel choir. The cold concrete walls of the then-quietest shell reverberated with song as the mixed choirs vocalized en masse.

The crowded schedule then took the singers to Hurst's Tomb where the mixed choirs held their first official performance. Among those present were the Acting President, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak; the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Moshe Sharett, Mayor D. Z. Pinkas of Jerusalem, representatives of the Jewish Agency and other national institutions, and hundreds of spectators.

The 30-minute programme consisted of Ill Mode Rabanim, chanted by a cantorial choir from New York; the first performance of the cantata, "And I Have Gathered You" by Hans Alexander, which was written especially for the Jerusalem Assembly; a work by C. Goldberg, sung by M. Zeitz; Hallelu Ashi, words by E. Yaloz, music by N. Shilonsky, and Hashivah, Mosh of the beauty of the songs was lost in the gusty wind that constantly swept the hilltop.

After dinner there were two performances — one-half of the mixed choirs singing at the Edison Cinema, the other at the Zion Cinema. Crowded conditions marked the performance there. At about midnight the guests from Israel returned by bus to Ramat Gan, while a special train carried the local singers to Tel Aviv.

The visitors left the capital happy-faced — but still singing, and with one comment: "When do we get a chance to see Jerusalem?"

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Draft of English Text Drawn Up At Hague Talks

THE HAGUE, Wednesday (Reuter). — The first draft English text of the agreement between Israel and West Germany on German reparations has been drawn up and agreed upon, Mr. Gershon Avner, spokesman of the Israel delegation, said here today.

A stability clause to ensure the permanent value of the goods which are to be delivered still remains to be settled, but there is absolutely no question of a hitch, he added.

Unless some last-minute difficulty arises the complete and confirmed English text would be ready in about 11 days, but the treaty would not be published until the delegation had "explained it to the Jewish people."

Mr. Avner said he hoped the list of goods would be released when the treaty was "sooner or later" signed, but the list would not be published before then.

The Israel purchasing commission would not be appointed until the delegation had returned home, he said. He confirmed that informal talks were going on between Israel and world Jewry as to the manner of payment for goods received by Israel on account of world Jewry.

Arabs Warn Bonn On Reparations

Payment of reparations to Israel would upset the traditional good relations between Germany and the Arab States, a note from the Arab League Secretariat warned the Bonn Government yesterday.

According to Cairo Radio the note said that reparations payments would be considered a hostile act towards the Arab States, because they are still in a state of war with Israel.

BERLIN ASKS SHARE

HAMBURG, Wednesday (DNA).— According to "Die Welt," the German Federal Republic has arranged with Israel and world Jewish organizations that West Berlin's industry receive special consideration when reparations goods are purchased.

This special preference covers electrical engineering, machines, steel products, precision instruments, asbestos, textiles and leather.

The paper says that all risks arising out of special conditions in West Berlin are not to be borne by Israel and the agreement will only be valid as long as West Berlin's economy needs support.

PACE CONFERS WITH SHAPE CHIEFS IN PARIS

PARIS, Wednesday (UP). — U.S. Army Secretary Frank Pace conferred today with General Matthew Ridgway and other top SHAPE leaders, and agreed to meet with French officials on the dispute over U.S. aid to France.

Mr. Pace said the meeting was requested by M. Rene Pleven, French Minister of Defence, who appealed yesterday for a "coherent" long-range U.S. policy for Western rearmament to buttress the French case for additional U.S. orders for French arms.

Mr. Pace refused to comment on how seriously European armament cut-backs would affect Western defence strength. However, he said upon his arrival here from London last night that the rearmament slow-down announced in Britain and threatened in France would weaken the West's position.

GROMYKO CALLS ON EDEN

LONDON, Wednesday (AP).— Russia's new Ambassador to Britain, Andrei A. Gromyko, made his first call on Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden today and arranged to return in a week or two to talk business.

The new Soviet envoy is due to present his credentials to Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace tomorrow.

Mr. Eden sent his Private Secretary to meet the Soviet diplomat on the curbside as he drew up outside the Foreign Office. When he emerged after the meeting, M. Gromyko chatted for a few moments with newsmen. He said he had transacted no business but had merely made a "courtesy call."

Earlier in the day Mr. Eden conferred with the envoys of two other great powers—U.S. Minister Julius C. Holmes and French Ambassador Rene Massigli.

RHEE CERTAIN OF RE-ELECTION

PUSAN, Wednesday (UP). — President Syngman Rhee was assured his re-election as South Korea's first popularly chosen President today by running up a three to one majority over his two principal opponents.

With almost 70 per cent of Tuesday's vote in, President Rhee had 3,689,809 votes to 671,445 for former Communist Cho Pong Am, and 660,681 for former Vice President Lee Shi Yong. Hugh Cynn had 181,235 votes.

French Disclose Plan in Move To Force Bey's Hand

TUNIS, Wednesday. — France today made public details of the Tunisian reform programme in a diplomatic move to force the Bey's acceptance of the five-year home rule project.

French Resident General Jean de Hauteclocque revealed the plan would give Tunisians increased responsibility, wider representation, and a larger share in Government jobs. The programme had been delivered to the Bey 10 days ago but details were withheld until now "out of courtesy to the Bey."

Mr. Jean Binoche, chief of the French Foreign Ministry's African-Levant section, is to deliver a note to the Bey tomorrow replying to the latter's recent telegram in which he said approval of the reform project by the Tunisian Cabinet did not commit the Throne.

The Neo-Destour Party, which is spearheading the nationalist drive for wider reforms, issued a communique today asking Tunisians "not to be deceived by vague promises and declarations of intentions." Reforms were impossible while France maintains a state of siege in the country, No one able to lead the programme has yet been found, it said.

For Tunisians, perhaps the largest single impact in the programme will be additional civil service jobs. Frenchmen will not be hired in the future unless all available and properly qualified Tunisians are employed.

Legislative power will remain in the Bey's hands, but two consultative councils will be formed to help him. A Tunisian Legislative Council of 40 members would examine all matters except budgetary and financial affairs, which would go before a 60-man Financial Council. This council would be made up equally of Tunisians and French citizens who would hold office for five years. Three-fourths of the members would be regionally elected and the balance would be nominated by local economic councils.

The Presidency would alternate between a Frenchman and a Tunisian. Legal advice would be given by an administrative tribunal led by a French Judge with a Tunisian Vice-President. (UP, Reuter).

U.S. ENVOY IN SYRIA

Mr. James Moose, new American Minister to Syria, arrived at Damascus yesterday accompanied by his family.

He succeeds Mr. Cavendish Cannon who has been appointed Ambassador to Portugal.

Yoshida Sees Pacific Alliance—U.S.-Japan

TOKYO, Wednesday (UP). — Japanese Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida said today it was a "foregone conclusion" that the security agreement between the U.S. and Japan would develop into a Pacific Alliance. Yoshida made this observation in the course of an hour-long conference with General Chang Chun, special envoy of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, who arrived here Sunday on a goodwill visit which coincided with the ratification of the Sino-Japanese Peace Treaty.

U.S., Japan Agree On Exports to China

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (AP). — The U.S. and Japan have agreed on some relaxation of Japanese bans on exports to Communist China, a State Department spokesman said today. He mentioned textiles, machinery and dye stuffs.

Press officer Lincoln White said some other non-strategic materials may now be exported by the Japanese to Communist-bloc countries.

Chance of Russian Immigration Reported

YORK, Wednesday — "Newsweek" an American weekly, reported today that "there are signs that the Kremlin may reverse its present policy and allow Jews to migrate from Russia and her European satellites to Israel." The magazine did not elaborate and offered no sources.

Merger of Power Companies Delayed

TEL AVIV, Wednesday — The contemplated transfer of ownership of the Jerusalem Electric Corporation to the Palestine Electric Corporation, has been temporarily postponed, it was learned here today.

The transaction was to have taken place before the New Economic Policy came into force in the form of a bulk purchase of the Jerusalem Corporation's shares. With the new exchange rate, however, the issue became involved and has been postponed to a later date.

U.S. Rejects Britain's Mid-East Defence Plan

Najib Promises Stronger Army, War Factories for Egypt

CAIRO, Wednesday (Reuter) —General Mohammed Najib announced today that he will reorganize the Army and that Egypt will set up her own arms factories to give the troops the most modern weapons and equipment.

The Ministry of War will be streamlined to avoid red tape and its budget will be separate from that of the State.

Not a single Egyptian can rest at ease as long as Israel stands on the eastern border of his country — daily increasing its military preparations, spending enormous efforts to train its youth and building arms factories, General Mohammed Najib said in a recent memorandum to Premier Ali Maher.

The Army C.-in-C., according to the Arab News Agency, added that Israel has become a most serious threat to Egypt, which must do all in its power to strengthen its armed forces and enable them to protect the boundary against possible attacks by Israel.

Stevenson Sees Maher

British Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson met Ali Maher again tonight. He has been seeing the Prime Minister almost daily and sometimes twice daily since he broke his leave abroad and returned to Cairo after King Farouk's abdication.

British Embassy sources continue to deny Egyptian press reports of an impending resumption of negotiations for a settlement of Anglo-Egyptian differences.

Sir Ralph Stevenson has sought an early audience with the new Regency Council. He is also keeping in close contact with U.S. Ambassador Jefferson Caffery, whom he saw again today.

Prime Minister Ali Maher, who is leaving Cairo for his country estate near Alexandria today, is going to draft his new Government policy statement, expected to set out a programme of political and economic reforms and the aims of the General's regime. Ali Maher, heavily overworked since he took office after the army coup last month, is seeking a few days' rest.

The changes are likely to affect four ambassadors including Abdul Aziz Badr in Rome and Abdul Fattah Amr in London. Six ministers and several counsellors and the first secretaries are also thought to be affected.

The Regency Council last night decided to abolish the post of Chief of the Royal Cabinet and the posts of Court Grand Chamberlain and Chief Aides-de-Camp.

Saraj e-Din, Secretary-General of the Wafd, was today reported to have withdrawn from the Party executive. He was Interior Minister during the "Bloody Saturday" riots in Cairo on January 26 and has been charged with their instigation.

The Wafd Executive Committee, meeting in Alexandria, expelled two more former Deputies from the Party in its purge campaign. Wafdist sources said the committee is planning to issue a lengthy statement within three days outlining its position in the clean-up drive.

In London the diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" today drew attention to reports in the Egyptian press saying that Ambassador Amr Abdul Fattah has been recalled and placed on a pension. The dispatch added that the news, if true, would be received with the greatest regret in London.

Reports from Nicosia said the last British troops from the Canal Zone on holiday in Cyprus have been told to be ready to return to their base soon.

Says States in Area Should Join Pact

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (AP). — The U.S. today threw cold water on a British proposal for the creation of a limited Middle East defence organization without most of the region's States taking part.

A diplomatically worded statement, issued by the State Department, set forth the U.S. view that any effective Middle East Command system must include the States in that strategic area. Under the new British plan Turkey would be the only country in that area taking part.

The British proposal was apparently designed to get some kind of organization established in face of the fact that for eight months Egypt and other Arab States have spurned an invitation to join in a Middle East command. Israel has criticized the command structure first proposed last November.

7-Nation Scheme

Reports from London yesterday said the British had drafted a plan for a seven-nation command to map the defence for the Middle East. The nations would be the U.S., Britain, France, Turkey, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. London indicated that the other nations had already given their tentative backing to the British project.

Today's State Department comment said the "fundamental feature of the proposed organization is its co-operative character and the opportunity it will provide for joining the efforts of both the Middle Eastern States and others which feel a genuine concern for the security of the Middle East in promoting the common objective of area defence."

State Department Press Officer Michael McDermott said he thought that the U.S. would have some counter-proposal when the British plan is officially received in Washington.

He said the British idea would be welcome and would be discussed with all the other interested nations, including Israel and the Arab States. "I do not want these people to feel they are being left out at any step of this thing," he added.

The State Department explained it is resorting to press reports because it had not received the British proposal formally.

(See "Herald Tribune" Comment on Column 7-8 Below)

Emergency Session Of Jordan Parliament

The Jordan Parliament, in recess since spring, was yesterday recalled to an emergency session to discuss questions of the "highest importance" in connection with the future of the monarchy in the country, the Old City paper "A-Diffa" reported.

The decision to recall the House was taken at an emergency session of the Cabinet in Amman on Tuesday night.

Mossadegh Plans 'Soak Rich' Taxes

TEHERAN, Wednesday. — Prime Minister Mossadegh submitted to the Cabinet tonight proposals for stiff "soak the rich" taxes as the first step to get the nation back on its feet. Details of the proposals—drawn up by the Premier and his financial advisers—are not officially disclosed.

It is reliably reported, however, that they call for a two per cent yearly tax on the value of all immovable property such as houses, farm holdings and estates. One source close to the Government said it was expected that the tax could raise at least $330m. at the legal rate of exchange — a little more than the Government's expenses.

The new levy will apparently wait until Dr. Mossadegh is given full powers to run the country as he wishes for six months. The only thing now standing in his way is approval by the Senate, which is expected on Saturday.

Seyed Kashani, Persia's most powerful religious leader and key figure in the overthrow of former Premier Ahmed Ghavam, was elected Speaker of the Majlis today.

Mossadegh is known to oppose Kashani's alliance with the Tudeh (Communist) Party after the latter sent his followers to take alongside the Communists against police and army troops in the bloody demonstrations on July 21 that led to former Premier Ghavam's resignation and Mossadegh's return as Premier.

Yesterday morning small Tudeh bands tried to create trouble by collecting at street corners but large pro-Mossadegh groups broke up the meetings. The Tudeh supporters, however, continued shouting anti-Shah slogans and threw stones and rotten eggs at the Shah's picture at the Diana Cinema here.

Shemran tanks are stationed at police headquarters in a round-the-clock vigil, ready for an emergency.

A Czech trade delegation arrived here today to start talks on oil purchases.

The committee investigating the guilt of ex-Premier Ghavam, ex-Minister and other Army officers disclosed today it had received a letter from Ghavam denying responsibility for the actions which led to the July 21 riots.

Ghavam's whereabouts are still unknown.

(AP, UP, Reuter)

British Cabinet To Meet on Iran

LONDON, Wednesday (UP).— Prime Minister Winston Churchill has called his Cabinet to a special session tomorrow to study what informed sources said were "alarming reports" from Iran. British Government sources openly expressed their grave concern over the deteriorating situation in Iran and said that it was rapidly approaching the "breaking point."

The growth of subversion in Persia was held as paving the way for the Communist Tudeh party to seize power, with unforeseeable consequences for the entire Middle East defence position.

British Army Chief To Tour Mid-East

LONDON, Wednesday (AP).— The newly designated Chief of Britain's Imperial Armed Forces, Gen. Sir John Harding, will leave soon on a short tour of the troubled Middle East, a War Office spokesman said tonight.

His trip is being made apparently in preparation for his new assignment as Chief of the Imperial General Staff which begins November 1. No details of Gen. Harding's tour were immediately available.

U.S. Military Aid to Israel in Balance

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — Israel's formal application for military aid under the Mutual Security Act, which was presented to the State Department last winter, had not yet received a definite response, it was learned here today. Because of the long-delayed plans for the formation of a Middle Eastern Defence Command, plans which have not yet materialized, the State Department has delayed action on Israel's application.

Little progress has been made toward persuading Egypt or the other Arab States to participate in the Middle Eastern defensive arrangement. Some Israel quarters feel that the impracticability of the plan should not result in military assistance being withheld from a democracy known for its resistance to aggression.

Increased Interest

Interest in Middle Eastern defence has increased in Washington because of the recent upheavals in Egypt and Iran. The newly enacted Mutual Security Act provides approximately $50m. earmarked for munitions for Israel and the Arab States, for distribution at the discretion of the U.S. Government. It is from this sum that Israel hopes to draw in the event of favourable action on her application.

According to the "Herald Tribune's" London correspondent, Britain is of the opinion that the proposed command has been created for the time being. British military opinion, the correspondent says, is still firmly convinced that the Suez Canal is the best base in the area.

Foreign Office officials let this be known by their action in throwing cold water on a report from Washington that the U.S., France, Africa and Turkey decided to establish a command on Cyprus as soon as possible, without Egypt's cooperation.

British lack of enthusiasm for the Cyprus project is prompted by their scepticism about the advisability of running the area from an island where there is a large active Communist movement, and by their desire to wait and see what Mohammed Najib's stand on the question of the Command might be.

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RAMAT GAN: Rekuhit.

La Petite Regence Bar

THE JERUSALEM BUSINESSMAN'S BEST MEETING PLACE

at the King David Hotel

Social & Personal

The group of American Friends of the Histadrut who are returning to the U.S. today after a three-week visit to Israel, were received by Prime Minister Ben Gurion and Finance Minister Eshkol in Jerusalem yesterday.

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Meyer Israel Bobosh, of Tel Aviv, was host at a dinner party at the Rogow Arts Hotel last night to 30 mayors and chairmen of Local Councils and their wives, to celebrate the sixth anniversary of their operation by the Mandatory authorities in the Latrun detention camp.

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Mr. H. S. Lasser, of the Research and Planning Department of the Ministry of Social Welfare, is to leave this morning for the U.S., where he will study for nine months under a grant from the Social Affairs Department of the U.N. Technical Assistance Administration.

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Dr. A. Kolb, curator of the Tel Aviv Museum, returned yesterday by El Al from Rome, after supervising the opening of the Israel textile exhibit at the Bazaars in Venice.

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Mr. James McCoy, Jr., American machinery expert, arrived by T.W.A. yesterday to take up his duties with the Technical Cooperation Administration here.

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Mr. N. Gross, D., ty Director of the Bank of America, arrived by T.W.A. yesterday on a tour of Israel. He will spend most of his time here inspecting industrial undertakings.

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Dr. Cyril Kaplan, noted South African orthopaedic surgeon, has arrived in Israel to attend the forthcoming conference of Jewish doctors. He is at present staying in Haifa as the house of Mr. Louis Shapiro, Mt. Carmel.

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Dr. A. Frankel, of the directorate of the American Fund for Israel Institutions, arrived by El Al yesterday on a visit.

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Dr. Alexander Raphaeli, Director of Dura Ltd., and Jerusalem Textile Ltd., and Mrs. Raphaeli returned by K.L.M. from the U.S. yesterday.

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Mr. Moses Schonfeld, Chairman of the Education Department of the Z.O.A., is in Israel and staying at the Sharon Hotel.

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Mrs. Lea Majaro-Mintz, the Jerusalem artist and attorney, has left for London on a visit.

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Mr. A. Rosenfeld left on Tuesday by Sabena for Brussels, London and the Scandinavian countries.

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Mr. Yosef (Tsobanos), commercial artist, has left for Europe on a business and study trip.

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BIRTHS

LEVY—To Rafaella, wife of Kurt Shlomo Levy of Lydda Airport Hostel, on August 3, 1952—a son.

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RAVIA — To Clara (nee Cohen) wife of Ya'acov Ravia, at the Hadassah Hospital, in Jerusalem, on August 4, 1952, — a daughter.

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MARRIAGE

LIPPMAN—GAREH

The marriage took place in Tel Aviv on August 7, 1952, between Gabriel, son of the late Raphael and Adele Lippman, of Tel Aviv, and Molly, daughter of Abraham and Hannah Gareh, of Singapore.

U.S. Baseball

NEW YORK, Aug.1.—Baseball scores and standings today:

National League

Brooklyn 4, Pittsburgh 1 (2nd game).

American League

New York 6, Chicago 2 (night)
Philadelphia 3, Detroit 1 (2nd game)
Washington 10, St. Louis 9 (night).

Standings of the clubs:

National League	W	L	Pct		W	L	Pct
Brooklyn	64	39	.621	Chicago	50	48	.510
N. York	58	39	.621	Boston	41	57	.427
St. Louis	57	42	.576	Cincinnati	39	60	.394
Phil'phia	52	46	.531	Pitts'gh	28	74	.275

American League	W	L	Pct		W	L	Pct
N. York	59	41	.590	Phil'phia	45	46	.511
Cleve'd	56	44	.560	Chicago	43	50	.462
Boston	53	44	.546	St. Louis	41	51	.452
Wash'n	53	46	.535	Detroit	35	63	.357

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Gen. 27 King George, 2903. Ophthe. Mahane Yehuda, 6071. TEL AVIV: Abramski, 52 Allenby, 3438. Hygea, 22 Rogdei Ha'ivri, 67368. Zia, 42 Sheinkin, 3462. Merkaz Hatzion, 200 Ben Yehuda, 62923. Baruch, Hanivon Qu., 67495. Jaffa: Vurgan and Madger, 3 Rehov 340, 68795. Ramat Gan: Rassat Gan, 91 Bialik. Givatayim: Nega, opp. Fire Brigade.
HAIFA: Aronn, 4 Prophets, 4176. Hagalil, 10 Allenby, Kayat Hatzkim Hamizrin, 7282.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 41.9, 31.3 & 522 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.30, 12.30, 1.30, 6.15, 6.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8.30 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m.
6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R.). 7.15 Melodies (R.). 8.30 Close Down.
10.30 a.m. Music While You Work (R.). 11.00 At the Opera (R.). 11.40 Housewives' Corner. 12.02 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Concert Hall: Overture "Suzanne's Secret" (W. Ferrari); "Trigora" Concerto for Violin & Orchestra (Ravel); Symphony No. 1 in D major (Dvorak). 1.45 Break for Music. 1.50 Close Down.
4.00 p.m. Variety (R.). 4.45 Popular Instruments. 5.00 Variety (R.). 5.30 Child's Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety (R.). 7.05 Programme Announcements. 7.10 Violin Recital: Izaak Perres. 7.30 "Where to Go" (Jerusalem). 7.50 Vocal Recital (T.A.). 8.00 Press Conference. 8.30 Bible Reading. 8.45 "The Kneset & Its Committees." 9.30 Rishon Le Zion 70th Anniversary. 10.00 Recital: P. Heyman (Violin); A. Sachs. Works by Beethoven & Prokofieff. 10.15 Variety. 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

463, 328, 257, 41.9 M.
English News: 1.05 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.
4.00 p.m. Forces of Music (R.). 6.45 Music (R.). 7.00 Programme for Youngsters. 8.30 Prize Ange Lasses. 8.50 Science Studio. 9.00 Story. 9.40 Agricultural Corner. 9.45 Close Down.

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REVIEW OF OPINION IN YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Important Argument for F.M. Move Is Wish of People of Israel—"Haboker"

Commenting on the "Times" editorial on Jerusalem, "Haboker" (General Zionist) says we are always ready to accept advice", but it must be pointed out that at least two of the three arguments used against transferring the capital to Jerusalem were in force during the Mandate.

The Mandatory Government nevertheless had its seat in Jerusalem despite the fact that the city has no harbour and Natorei Karta want it exclusively as a spiritual centre. It must be also pointed out, that the "Times" forgot to mention one important argument for the move: the wish of the people of Israel.

The "Peace" Petition

Several papers comment on Tuesday's "peace" demonstration." "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) calls the Knesset Presidium's refusal to receive the delegation unjust. The masses will not accept this decision. The Jewish people who remained alive after Hitler are again in mortal danger in view of the establishment of a new Nazi army.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) says the "Ben Gurion Government is a voluntary participant in preparing for another World War". Regarding the demonstration it says "the impact of the grandiose peace demonstration was felt by everyone in Jerusalem"

Most other papers reported that only several hundred persons participated in the demonstration.

"Davar" (Histadrut) says everyone in Israel is vitally interested in preserving peace. This is a condition for our further development. The Communists' demonstrations, however, have a different aim, instead of strengthening peace they wish to create the impression that Israel and its people do not favour peace. Their own "peace" record is pitiful. Yesterday they favoured disarming Germany. Now they call for rearming not only East Germany, but all Germany. Tomorrow they will call for a "war of liberation" — and all this, of course, in the name of "peace".

"Hador" (Mapai) compares the demonstration to staging a play, and draws attention to the fact that the text of the play has meanwhile been changed. Formerly, it was against German rearmament, now it favours it.

"Hatzofia" (Agudat Israel) says the Communists use well-known Nazi methods. A bigger lie stands a better chance of being accepted than a small one. The Communists who are responsible for the bloodshed in Korea and who show not the slightest intention of making peace, are continuing in their attempts to deceive the public by appearing as champions of "peace". The paper asks if the time has not come to take steps against foreign agents who endanger our security and exploit the freedom given them in a democratic state to destroy democracy.

Controller's Report

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) analyses the State Controller's report. It concludes by saying that the solution to one problem has not yet been found. What is to be done if a Government office refuses to fulfil the Controller's demands? Should it be sufficient to report this in the next Annual Report, or should the Controller be given wider authority?

Lack of Teachers Abroad Hinders Hebrew Culture

The shortage of teachers was hindering the spread of Hebrew culture abroad, Dr. Nathan Morris, Director of the Jewish Agency's Department of Education and Culture in the Diaspora, reported on Tuesday at a press conference in Jerusalem.

To foster Hebrew education abroad the Department has set up in Jerusalem five study groups for Hebrew teachers from North and South America, North Africa and Europe, as well as study courses for teachers in various countries.

Hebrew texts were sent to every Jewish community that requested them, he said. Israel teachers, as well as headmasters, were also sent to various communities, mostly in South America, but the number was necessarily limited because of the local shortage.

FEISAL — King Feisal the Second of Iraq is due in New York on August 12 for a five-week visit to the U.S., the State Department announced yesterday.

Jerusalem Cinemas

3.30, 7 & 9 p.m.

ARNON: The Forsyte Women.
EDEN: The People Against O'Hara.
EDISON: Faithful City.
ORION: The Day the Earth Stood Still.
STUDIO: Happy Go Lovely.

U.S. STUDENTS SAIL FOR ISRAEL SEMINAR

NEW YORK, Wednesday (UP).— A group of 34 students of Hebrew teachers' colleges throughout the U.S. left for Cherbourg en route to Israel yesterday for a special six-month seminar. The group, headed by Prof. Sydney B. Hoenig, of Yeshiva University, New York, is composed of 11 men and 11 women.

Britain Challenges Japan Court's Jurisdiction

LONDON, Wed. — The U.S. joined Britain today in challenging the authority of Japanese courts to try and to jail U.K. servicemen, the Foreign Office disclosed yesterday.

The diplomatic row blew up when Japanese authorities jailed two British sailors accused of stealing a taxi and about $5 in cash. The two men were sentenced to 30 months' imprisonment.

A Foreign Office spokesman announced Britain has made "representations on the highest level" in Tokyo against the sentences, which it denounced as "excessive and unjustifiable." He said the U.S. Ambassador in Tokyo had also made representations in the name of the U.N. as a whole.

The spokesman declared that Britain does not accept the jurisdiction of the Japanese court.

It is reported from Tokyo that the Japanese Foreign Ministry said today it had received no official protest from the British Government against the sentencing yesterday of the two British seamen.

(A.P., U.P.)

British Scientist Family Murdered in France

LURS, Wednesday (UP). — Sir Jack Drummond, 61-year-old British research chemist, his wife and 12-year-old daughter were found murdered today in a ditch near a tent in which they were camping in the wild and lonely foothills of the French Alps.

Police said robbery may have been the motive for the killing. Some of France's most sensational crimes have been committed in the region.

Sir Jack, former Stanford and New York University lecturer, was a research chemist for Boots, Britain's largest chain of drug stores, since 1946.

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Infectious Diseases Increased in June

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Infectious diseases increased during June compared with previous months. A Ministry of Health spokesman told *The POST* on Tuesday that there was no fear of epidemics, and that steps were being taken to localize every outbreak.

There were 80 typhoid fever cases in June, compared with 44 in May, 41 in April and 71 in January. Infantile paralysis attacked 104 persons in June, 97 in May, 62 in April and 86 in January. There were 139 cases of scarlet fever in June, 124 in May, 87 in April and 139 in January.

The spokesman disclosed that a special committee of psychiatrists and representatives of the Mental Hygiene Department were completing the draft of a mental hygiene bill. It will list among other things the conditions under which persons may be confined to institutions.

It also was stated that a Government medical committee will be named to certify medical examinations given to persons who suffered during the Nazi regime and who are claiming compensation from the German government.

40,000 Sick, Elderly Moroccans Can't Come

More than 40,000 Moroccan Jews, most of them sick, cannot emigrate because of the selectivity programme, Mr. Ze'ev Hakiai, the Jewish Agency's Director of Immigration in Casablanca, told a Jerusalem press conference on Tuesday.

Noting that under the selectivity plan 80 per cent of all emigrants must be less than 45 years old, healthy and able to work, Mr. Hakiai said that most of the Moroccans fell into the higher age groups and had either trachoma or ringworm.

The programme of attempting to attract youth between the ages of 16 and 21 has had only limited success in the three months that it has been in operation. Only about 400 have come. The main difficulty lies with the youths' parents who object to their going.

"Relations with the French authorities are very good," Mr. Hakiai declared, "and the security position of the Jews there was now relatively good."

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Monday, Aug. 11, at 8.30 p.m.
Conductor:
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Soloist:
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Sale of tickets at the I.P.O. Office, 56 Allenby Rd., (11-2 & 4-6) and at "Tarbut," 49 Rehov Bialik, Ramat Gan.
Special bus service from 7.30 p.m. from Rehov Sirkin corner Rehov Mendele and after the concert from the Amphitheatre.

Where to go

JERUSALEM
9-2: Jerusalem Biblical Zoo Reserve. Bus 15. Feeding time: 2-3 p.m.
9-1; 3-6: Exhibition British Book Design, 1952. Jewish Mo'ezine through the Ages—on the occasion of the 3rd World Congress of Jewish Physicians in Jerusalem. Sculpture by Moses Rambadsky. Exhibit of the month: Dr. Ephraim Borgo., etching, 1647 (R. 276, second story) by Rembrandt. Rembrandt was Rijn on loan from the Schocken Library, Jerusalem. Bezalel Museum.
9-1: Art Library Bezalel Museum.
9-6: Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities. Also Temporary exhibition—Recent acquisitions in Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-5: Sanhedria Tombs.
11-1; 3-7: Exhibition of Children's Art. Israel Touring Club, Talbieh.
11.30-12.30: Film shows at Karen Hayesod Head Office.

TEL AVIV
9-5: Exhibition of oils, gouaches and drawings by Lea Kahn. Museum.

HAIFA
8-4.30: Theological and Scientific Library — Central Synagogue.
8 p.m.: "Lady Precious Stream." Chamber Theatre, Arzaus Hall.

RAMAT GAN
8.30 p.m.: Li-La-Lo Theatre, Reuss Hall, Ramatchai Revue "Dinner is Served."

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET OF THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD. ON DECEMBER 31, 1950.

LIABILITIES

1949 £		£	£
	SHAREHOLDERS' CAPITAL : —		
	Authorized — 200,000 Shares of £10 each ..	2,000,000	
	Issued — 135,000 Shares of £10 each ..	1,350,000	
	Paid Up — 135,000 Shares of £10 each, fully paid		1,350,000
900,000	General Reserve		1,000,000
600,000	Reinsurance Fund		600,000
692,325	Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account		580,772
59,726	Leasehold Reserve Account		58,900
4,383,656	Marine, Fire and Accident Funds		4,857,225
316,043	Profit and Loss Account		332,706
6,301,667			8,788,604
448,185	Claims admitted or intimated but not paid :		545,884
649,213	Staff Provident Fund		690,105
19,618	Unclaimed Dividends		9,966
	Provisions for Taxation and other		
1,036,755	Contingencies		1,018,756
912,015	Sundry Creditors and Provisions		949,673
219,375	Provision for Dividend, payable May 24, 1951		236,250
£11,607,043			£13,237,327

A part of the Assets has been deposited under local laws in various places out of the United Kingdom as security for holders of policies there issued.

There are Contingent Liabilities in respect of subscriptions called on shares in Subsidiary Companies and on certain other shares held, and for guaranteeing of policies issued by certain Subsidiary and other Companies.

In accordance with the Society's annual practice the above Balance Sheet and annexed Accounts do not take into account figures in all cases to December 31, 1950. It is considered that their omission does not materially affect the results shown.

Auditors' Report

We have examined the above Consolidated Balance Sheet and Consolidated Profit and Loss Account of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., and its Subsidiaries dealt with thereby, with the audited accounts of those Companies. The figures of the British Oak Insurance Company, Ltd., and of the Beaver Fire Insurance Company are, apart from a dividend payable by one such Company, included only as investment items in the Balance Sheet (at or below their investment values). Subject to the foregoing, in our opinion, the above Balance Sheet shows a true and fair view of such consolidated position of the Society.

PEAT, MARWICK, MITCHELL & CO., } Chartered Accountants.
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS, } Auditors.

HONG KONG, May 9, 1951.

ASSETS

1949 £		£	£
7,414,380	INVESTMENTS		8,023,065
677,963	Freehold Property (at cost, less amounts written off)	519,009	
289,132	Leasehold Property (at cost, less amounts written off)	310,000	
8,181,415			8,852,074
	CURRENT ASSETS : —		
1,825,939	Sundry Debtors including Branch and Agency Balances		1,836,486
57,875	Interest and Dividends accrued but not payable ..		60,864
1,542,019	Cash on Deposit and on Current Account		1,627,903
3,425,833			3,525,253
£11,607,043			£13,237,327

Certificates

We certify that the Stock Exchange Securities have been taken at or under their mean market values (less accrued interest and dividends) at December 31, 1950. Unquoted Investments have been valued at or below cost or intrinsic values.

That in the above Balance Sheet Foreign Currencies have been converted into Sterling at rates closely approximating the Market Rates of Exchange ruling on December 31, 1950. That in our belief the assets set forth in the above Balance Sheet are in the aggregate fully of the value stated.

J. P. MACGREGOR, Chairman
J. H. HAMM, A. W. HAY-EDIE, Directors
C. B. STONE, General Manager

HONG KONG, May 9, 1951.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

£		£	£		£
227,477	INTEREST and Dividends (less Income Tax deducted at source) ..	269,218	3,150	Directors' Fees	3,812
	Transfers from : —		60,601	Taxation paid (net) during the year	258,106
346,487	Marine, Fire and Accident Accounts	306,947	48,310	Expenses not charged to other Accounts	43,908
—	Transfer from Provision for Contingencies (of which £60,000 is retained in Subsidiary Companies)	100,000		NET PROFIT for the year of the Companies Consolidated : —	£
1,029	Unclaimed Dividends of Subsidiary Companies written off	—	506	Appertaining to Outside Shareholders of the Subsidiary Companies	373
	Note : — Profits and Losses on Exchange and on Investments have been transferred direct to Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account.		476,315	Appertaining to the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd.	370,775
			476,821		371,147
£ 574,973		£ 676,065	£ 574,972		£ 676,065

£		£	£		£
476,315	NET PROFIT appertaining to the Society brought down	370,775		Provision for Dividend (free of Hong Kong Corporation Profits Tax) for the year 1950, payable May 24, 1951	236,250
136,360	Less Amount retained in the Subsidiary Companies	73,867	219,375	Transfers to Reserves	64,000
339,955		296,908	114,400	BALANCE carried forward	382,708
309,888	BALANCE brought forward from previous year	318,048	310,048		
£ 649,823		£ 612,956	£ 649,823		£ 612,956

ISRAEL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1950

	IL.		IL.
Transfer from Fire and Accident INSURANCE BUSINESS	6,421	AGENCY EXPENSES	941
		HEAD OFFICE EXPENSES	2,980
		PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	2,500
	IL. 6,421		IL. 6,421

We certify that the above account has been prepared from accounts received from the Society's Agents United Insurance Agencies Ltd., Tel Aviv, and that the refinancing entries and restatements outside Israel have been verified from the Society's books and records in London.

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	A	B	C	D
Mt. Hermon	7	—	2	10
Haifa	—	—	—	31
Nazareth	27	22	28	29
Safed	24	20	21	21
Tel Aviv Port	29	23	29	29
Lydda Airport	27	20	32	33
Jerusalem	25	17	26	29
Beersheba	30	—	31	33

"A": Yesterday at 1 p.m. "B": Maximum shade (C) Maximum yesterday (D) Maximum temp. expected today.

THE FORTNIGHTLY music concert went on to Mr. Bevan yesterday morning. Fifteen minutes accompanied the party.

A REST HOUSE for artists and writers was inaugurated in Gedera yesterday on the seven-dunam farm of the late David Levinsky. Mr. A. Barzilay, a friend of the Levinsky, was among the speakers at the ceremony.

TWO ARAB girls, who live on either side of the border, met for one hour at Mandelbaum Gate yesterday morning.

A PICKPOCKET stole LI.35 in cash from Benyamin Hubara in the Mahane Yehuda market in Jerusalem yesterday.

PERSONS WITH a basic knowledge of Arabic and Judaism, interested only contact the Education Division of the Ministry of Education in Jerusalem for teaching positions in secondary schools in the Arabic language.

$380,000 OF WOOLLEN CLOTH was exported to Denmark by the Mayer factory in Petah Tikva this week.

FOUND GUILTY of possessing two smuggled gold watches, Shimon Ingerman, a Tel Aviv merchant, was yesterday fined by the District Court in four months in prison and bound over in IL.4,000 bail for a year.

SOLOMON SHVEDSKY, 48, of Jaffa, was jailed for six months for assaulting Nissim Al-Kalmer with a knife during a fight, heard in Jaffa.

Israel Doctor Given U.S. Research Grant

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — The Federal Security Agency announced today that a grant of $8,250 has been given to Dr. Z. Grinberg of the Hadassah Hospital in Petah Tikva, to carry out a cancer research project.

Of 34 such grants that were given Dr. Grinberg is the only foreign recipient. He is working at study to determine the incidence of cancer of the cervix among female women in Israel.

The announcement said that the grants were made by the Surgeon-General of the U.S., Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, on the recommendation of the National Advisory Council, a group of nine governmental physicians, scientists and leading public figures. The grants are administered by the National Cancer Institute.

T.A. Treasurer May Go to Tax Office

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Mr. Ben Zion Argov, the Tel Aviv Municipal Treasurer, has expressed his willingness to accept the invitation of the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, to head the income tax department temporarily.

His final acceptance depends on whether Mayor Israel Rokach agrees to grant him a year's leave of absence.

June Salaries of T.A. Workers Being Paid

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Mayor Israel Rokach announced in the Municipal Council tonight that June salaries to municipal workers would be paid this week. Manual workers and teachers will be the first to receive their salaries tomorrow.

No Bathing Allowed

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Following the reversal of the Ministry of Health order that the Tel Aviv Municipality stretch barbed wire along the seashore, the Municipal Council tonight resolved to post notices on the seashore stating that bathing is forbidden. The life savers, however, will not be withdrawn.

Haifa Civil Servants Give Mapai Majority

HAIFA, Wednesday. — In yesterday's election of the civil servants in the Haifa area Mapai secured a 60 per cent majority, winning 19 seats in the 31-man Representative Council.

Of the 5,160 workers who have a vote, 3,754, or 74 per cent, went to the polls.

Mapai was secured with 763 votes (20 per cent) and six seats. Ha'ovedi Hazioni received 336 votes or nine per cent, and three seats, and Agudat Israel Workers 307 votes, seven per cent three seats. The Communists received 114 votes, two and a half per cent, no seats.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: Sugar 1 Kilo. Aleph 3 cards, 1,500 grams. Aleph 43, temporary. 2. Margarine, 500 grams. Bet 14, 15, temporary, coupons 1, 2, 3, 4. Meat, 500 grams. Aleph cards, six coupons (temporary) 27.

TEL AVIV: Eggs: 2. Hat 1, coupons 1, 2, 11, 12. Poultry for children, 1000 grams. Aleph, Bet, Gimel cards. Yav 3, temporary, 42. Poultry for 65 persons 500 grams. Het-Aleph 1. Het-Bet 5. 700 grams. Het-Gimel 5.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Eggs: 2 Het 1, temporary, 7. Frozen sweet water fish 150 grams. Kaf 16, temporary, 46. Rations for 65 persons: Poultry, 500 grams. Het-Aleph 2. Het-Bet 5. Het-Gimel 5. 700 grams. Het-Aleph 2, 5. Het-Aleph 2, 5. Het-Gimel 2. Het-Bet 5. Het-Gimel 5. Het-Aleph 2. Het-Bet 5. Het-Gimel 5. Poultry for children 500 grams. Aleph, Bet, Gimel cards. Yav 3. Lamed 14, temporary, 42. Eggs for expectant mothers, 6 each, coupons 15, 16 for [illegible] 2 each. Gimel 4, 5.

Knesset Turns Down Move For New J'lem Elections

Jerusalem POST Parliamentary Correspondent

A move to get the Knesset to order a Jerusalem election was thwarted yesterday in the House. Most of the Mapai members opposed the motion although it was co-sponsored by one of their colleagues, Mr. Reuven Shari, a former Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem, and a member of the Council. The other sponsor was Mr. Pinhas Rosen (Progressive).

The Minister of Interior, Mr. Moshe Shapiro, said the Government could not support the proposal to order the dissolution of the Municipal Council. He argued it would be unwise for prestige reasons in view of the world status of Jerusalem, and added that once the precedent was established there would be pressure for new elections in a whole string of cities where there was disharmony.

Furthermore, he said, elections would in the normal course take place on October 13, 1953, and if special elections were now ordered they could not be organized before August or September, 1953. Mr. Shapiro's motion against the proposal for action was passed 29-16.

Mr. Shapiro also observed that the criticism of the Municipal Council was exaggerated. His defence of the regime was expected, as the Mayor, Mr. S.Z. Shragai, is a member of his party, Hapoel Hamizrahi. The Mapai members were in a different position because their party is in Opposition in the Municipality.

Mr. Rosen, whose party is also in Opposition, said there had been continuous crises in the nine-party Municipal coalition ever since the administration was organized. He singled Mayor Shragai, who has been actively at the helm of the city for five months owing to his ill-health, but also criticized Acting Mayor Eliahu Elyashar (General Zionists) charging that he had sharpened quarrels within the coalition, between the coalition and the Opposition, and between the administration and the staff.

Both Mr. Rosen and Mr. Shari charged that the administration was a failure, citing a deficit of IL.1,400,000. They said that city committees had never convened.

Coalition "Conspiracy"

Mr. Shari labelled the nine-party coalition a "conspiracy designed to bar the representation of half the population from the Municipal City Affairs."

Dr. Yitzhak Raphael (Herut) turned then against the Government coalition, saying that if a coalition of parties representing 60 per cent of the electorate was a "conspiracy," the label could by the same token be affixed to the Government coalition. He further turned the argument about the Municipal deficit against the central administration, which is also in financial difficulties.

Mr. Yisrael Bar-Yehuda (General Zionists) said the position in the Jerusalem Municipality was no worse than in many others where there were also internal quarrels within the coalitions. He charged that Mapai was disrupting the work of the Municipality and said they should learn to take political defeat in good grace.

Two motions were referred to committee. The proposal by Dr. Benzion Harell (General Zionists) to discuss the hygienic situation was referred to the Public Services Committee, while Rabbi Reuven Feinman's (Mapai) suggestion for the amendment of rent regulations to benefit shopkeepers was sent to the Legislation Committee.

Following a request by Mr. Mussad Kassis (Arab Democrat) for a full-dress debate on the question of proper consideration for tobacco cultivation, particularly in the Arab villages of the West-ern Galilee, the matter was referred to the Knesset Economic Committee.

The conflicting of olive oil from Rama villagers by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry's Control Department five months ago was placed on the agenda after a request by Mr. Rustum Bastouni (Mapam) for a full debate.

Deputy Speaker Decries Alleged Attack on MK

The Deputy Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Zeev Shefer, yesterday denounced the alleged attack upon the Communist M.K., Mrs. Esther Wilenska, at a party meeting in the Holon Ma'abara.

Without going into details of Mrs. Wilenska's complaint, Mr. Shefer, speaking for the Praesidium, said that it was inconceivable that physical force should be used in political arguments. In view of Mr. Shefer's statement, Mr. Meir Wilner (Communist) withdrew a motion for a Knesset debate on the incident.

IN THE BEERSHEBA Summary Military Court yesterday two marauders from Jordan were sentenced to six months in prison each; a marauder from Egypt was sentenced to one month's imprisonment, four local Bedouin were fined IL.20 each and given a small each in prisons for being in Beersheba without a permit, and another local Bedouin charged with harbouring infiltrators was released for lack of proof against him.

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Shragai to Resign In 'Day or Two'

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Mayor S. Z. Shragai told The Post yesterday that he would submit his written resignation to the Council "in a day or two" and that he planned to go abroad for six weeks to recuperate from his recent illness. He said that he had no idea what he would do upon his return.

Bari Fair to See Negev Metals

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Israel Mining Industries Ltd. will send a collection of samples of Negev metals and stones to the International Fair at Bari, it was learned here today. It will be the first full collection of Negev metals to be shown in public and will include copper ore, magnesium, sulphur, iron ore, ball clay and ochre.

It is believed that Italian firms may be interested in unprocessed ore and ball clay.

Mining of copper is expected to start in the Negev within a year. The Beige-Conglomerate strata are looking for the exact site of the extract, and the building of the mine is expected to start when a railway is laid. It is not yet clear whether the Company, which draws its resources from the Development Budget will ask for further to cash under funds from other sources to buy necessary equipment.

It is understood that casting of the abandoned sulphur mines near the Gaza strip is proceeding, but no hint can be obtained from the participants concerned if and when the resumption of exploitation is expected.

6 Tira Residents Shot by Bandits

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Five Arab residents of Tira village in the Little Triangle were wounded, three seriously, in an exchange of fire between the villagers and a band of marauders last night. They were taken to Hayarkon Hospital here this morning.

The marauders had come to steal and met with resistance. After the fight they withdrew towards the border, their tracks being followed by a police contingent as far as the frontier.

Marauders Steal Pump

BEERSHEBA, Wednesday (ITIM). — A group of 15 marauders were surprised by watchmen in a grove in the South last night while in the act of dismantling a water pump. The guards opened fire, which was returned. The marauders finally withdrew, leaving behind two camels apparently intended for the transportation of the pump parts.

27 Charges Against Ex-Matron of Home

NAZARETH, Wednesday.— The trial of Dalal Michail, former matron of the Wasfiyah Orphans Home, is to begin here tomorrow before Judge Asis Jarijura.

Twenty-seven charges have been brought against the 45-year-old defendant, including the infliction of bodily harm on her wards, burying a body without permission in a place not a grave yard, and smuggling foreign currency. Most of the 12 witnesses due to testify against her are former pupils, girls between 13 and 15 years of age.

The orphanage is under the patronage and supervision of the Greek Catholic Archbishop of the Galilee, Mgr. George Hakim, who founded it.

Death of Journalist

TEL AVIV, Wednesday.— The death took place yesterday of Haim Michael Barchin-Benediktov, 64, Revisionist journalist. He was buried today at the Givat Shaul cemetery.

Barchin started his career as a Russian journalist, and supported Zionism from his youth. When he went to Paris, after the Russian revolutions, he joined the staff of the Russian-language daily "Poslediya Novosti," and later the Russian-language weekly of V. Jabotinsky "Rassviet." He went to the U.S. in 1940 and came to Israel soon after the establishment of the State, and has since been a regular contributor to "Herut." He is survived by a son, a lecturer in mathematics at Geneva University, who is now in the U.S.

Rabav Ends 36-Day Saga

Jerusalem POST Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Sunburnt and cheerful, the eight seamen of the Zevulun Sports Club sailed this morning into Haifa Port aboard their gleaming 12-foot boat Rabav, after a 3,000-mile, 36-day jaunt in the Eastern Mediterranean. They circled Cyprus and Rhodes, sailed at the main ports and at several spots along the Turkish coast, and sailed via the two islands back to Haifa.

At Larnaka, they ran into a squadron of the combined Anglo-American Navies, with its commander, Admiral Mountbatten, aboard the s.s. Surprise. The squadron's air officer, "with many medals on his chest," accompanied by a guard of honour, paid the Rabav a courtesy visit.

Rough Weather

On the outward trip they ran into rough weather, found their deck leaking and made it watertight at Larnaka. Off Paphos, on their way to Rhodes, they tacked against strong headwinds — "a tough job."

They found Rhodes celebrating its national holiday, with King Paul of Greece as a guest. They were hospitably received by the Jewish Affairs Society and found the island "a beautiful place."

Along the Turkish coast they found water hard and abundant fresh water, but had difficulty in communicating with the people ashore. At the Greek island of Castellorizo they met into another public holiday, in honour of St. Elia the Prophet. Explaining their connection with the feast, they were well received and invited to the celebrations. They ate and drank enough ouzo on their way back to Rhodes, and found their beer already enough to brave them.

All the eight men, ranging in age from 17 to 27, are Zevulun veterans, and according to the captain, 23-year-old Yoseph Ovadia, showed "perfect discipline."

The Rabav will make another trip this month, day trips with 10 men, to Cyprus.

Body Identified As Mental Internee

The body of the man who was returned by the Arab Legion at Mandelbaum Gate on Tuesday was identified as that of Moshe Einhorn, who escaped from the Kfar Sha'ul Mental Institution, an Army spokesman announced yesterday. He was killed by fire from the Jordan side of the border on the path to the Arab village of Bet Surik near Jerusalem, the spokesman said.

Jordan's charges of an Israel Army attack on the village, in which the man was allegedly killed, are completely unfounded. When an Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission inquiry committee and two U.N. observers went to the scene of the incident they found cartridge cases of the type the Israel Defence Army uses.

"The cartridges were fired a long time ago, according to the preliminary findings of the committee," the spokesman said. They were only placed in the area to indict Israel with the alleged attack, he concluded.

INJURED BY TRUCK

HAIFA, Wednesday. — A hit-and-run tender hit Arieh David, 32, of Geley Teiman, near Kilometre 113 on the Haifa-Tel Aviv road last night.

He was taken to the Rothschild Hospital here in a serious condition.

Greek Ultimatum To Bulgars on Gamma

ATHENS, Wednesday (Reuter)—Greece yesterday asked Bulgaria to withdraw from the River Evros (Maritza) islet of Gamma on the Bulgarian-Greekan frontier, after clashes between Greek and Bulgarian forces on July 27 when three Greeks were killed and four wounded.

Acting Premier Sophocles Venizelos said yesterday "after the Greek character of the Islet-Gamma was ascertained, the Greek armed forces contacted Bulgarian authorities asking them to leave the island within a given time."

A U.N. peace sub-committee has investigated the incident on the spot and presented a report on its correct interpretation. The report has now been made public. On Monday Greece protested to the U.N. Secretariat.

Bulgarian troops remained still to be on the islet last night.

GOVT MAY BUILD WORLD SYNAGOGUE

TEL AVIV, Wednesday (ITIM) —The construction of a "world synagogue" is contemplated by the Ministry of Development, according to Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Dr. Z. Warhaftig, addressing the first nation-wide convention of larger synagogues here, today.

During the past year, Dr. Warhaftig said, nearly 1,500 new places of prayer were established in the country, many of them in tents or huts.

Bader Accuses Government Of Spending More Than Earning

Current monthly expenses drawn from the Ordinary Budget are several million pounds more than current income, and the resulting deficit forces the Government to defer payments or to accept loans, thus expanding inflation. This statement was made yesterday by Dr. Y. Bader, Herut member of the Knesset's Finance Committee, at a press conference in Jerusalem.

The constant increase in prices makes the principle of balancing the budget unrealistic. It is already evident that no funds will be transferred from the General Reserves of the Ordinary Budget to the Development Budget. Income from indirect taxation was decreasing since the volume of purchases had fallen, he said.

The importance of the Finance Committee was lessened because the Finance Minister, Mr. Eshkol, rarely attended the sessions, he said.

The delays in releasing the U.S. grant-in-aid counterpart funds is caused, Dr. Bader's asserted, by the fact that less than half of the money for the goods has been actually paid into the fund. This may be because the Government of using the money for other purposes or because the recipients of the goods have not yet paid for them. At any rate, he said, the money has not been withdrawn from circulation.

Dr. Bader complained that income from the ten per cent Compulsory Loan has not yet been handed over to the Treasury. This money is actually in open bank accounts to the Government's name. In addition, due to many exemptions which are yet to take effect, the total raised will not exceed IL.27m.

Speaking on stabilizing the Israel pound, Dr. Bader said this could be done at a rate of about 11 to IL.1.

A Ministry of Finance source, commenting on Dr. Bader's statement on the deficit in the Ordinary Budget, said it was customary in the first months of the fiscal year that expenses exceed income. This, however, is offset in the second half of the fiscal year. The Government's delay in making payments to exceed partly by the anti-inflationary policy.

The counterpart fund was granting as payments were made by those who received the goods, it was said. The actual sum already paid into the fund however, was not disclosed.

Regarding the use of the proceeds from the Compulsory Loans, it was said that the money is eventually destined for development and nothing else. Meanwhile, the Government may use the money to cover its shortages of liquid assets. "This is a normal financial operation," it was said.

Turning to the decrease in income from indirect taxes, it was said that even if the volume of purchases fell off, the rate of taxation rose. In addition, the tax on local products constituted a greater part of the overall tax on all products.

Of the IL.1m. collected as luxury tax in 1949/50, 29 per cent came from local products, in 1950/51, 53 per cent of the IL.1.5m. collected was from local products, and in 1951/52, 64 per cent of the IL.11m. collected was from local products.

Flash Reported Over H-Bomb Plant

AUGUSTA, GEORGIA, Wednesday (Reuter) — A sheet-like flash reported over the Atomic Energy Commission's atomic hydrogen bomb installation here early today.

A.E.C. officials said that the authorities were notified.

Heavy Penalties Asked In Auerbach Case

MUNICH, Wednesday (UP) German prosecutors demanded stiff prison terms yesterday for the former Director of State Restitutions, Philipp Auerbach, Rabbi Aaron Ohrenstein of Bavaria and two other discharged employees of the Bavarian Government Department who made cash repayments to Jewish victims for atrocities suffered during the Nazi regime.

State Attorney Wilhelm Roelper asked the court here to sentence Auerbach to five years' imprisonment and a fine of 5,200 marks on charges of bribery, accepting bribes, forgery of documents and fraud. He demanded that Rabbi Ohrenstein be jailed for two years on fraud and forgery charges.

TWENTY-THREE SMALL chests worth over valued at IL.2,250 were stolen on Tuesday from the Knesset Electric Company in Rehov Hahashmonaim in Tel Aviv.

Pacific Pact Not To be Extended

HONOLULU, Wednesday (Reuter) — The U.S., New Zealand and Australia have tacitly agreed at the Pacific Pact security conference here that membership of the Pact will not be extended, it was authoritatively learned yesterday.

There was no official announcement, but it was understood reliably that this was one of the first subjects discussed when the three foreign ministers and their advisers assembled here for the first meeting of the Council. An informed source pointed out yesterday that although the Pact would remain a tripartite one, it was possible for the Council to consult with other Pacific powers under Section 8 of the Treaty.

Mr. Dean Acheson, Mr. Casey and Mr. Clifton Webb, the three foreign ministers taking part in the talks, have all made it clear in recent statements that they would welcome contact with other Pacific powers.

As delegate disclosed that the situation in Korea was examined fully yesterday.

Usually well informed circles said it was extremely unlikely that the three powers would enter into fresh defence commitments as a result of the talks.

They will relax today by flying to Hawaii Island to see Kilauea Volcano in action. They will be guests of Admiral Radford, American Commander in the Pacific. Kilauea has been active for more than a month — the longest eruption in the Hawaiian Islands since 1924.

Orchestra to Open Galilee Amphitheatre

TIBERIAS, Wednesday. — The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra is to inaugurate the new amphitheatre at the Huleh-Jordan Valley bridge with a concert here tomorrow night. It was built jointly by the Huleh kibbutzim and the Upper Galilee Regional Council. It seats 1,700.

Milton Katims is to conduct the orchestra and Raphael Arie, basso of the La Scala Opera of Milan, will appear as soloist.

Cables in Brief

ALBERTA. — The Canadian Social Credit Party has been swept back into power in Alberta, scooping up 52 out of 63 seats in the provincial election since 1935.

VISIT. — A Yugoslav Parliamentary Delegation, headed by Stanko Prodic, Deputy-Speaker of the Yugoslav National Assembly, will leave the Hungarian on August 10, to return the visit of Israeli Parliamentarians to Yugoslavia.

AIRMEN. — A party of 16 officials of the Turkish Air Force, led by the Chief of the Military Academy, will shortly pay a study visit to Greece, Italy, France, and West Germany, Military Radio reports.

VACATION. — Prince Talal of Saudi Arabia, one of the Saudi's sons, left-on-3rd August on Tuesday for Madrid after a two-month vacation in the U.S. He said he will spend several days there before returning home.

OIL. — Ministers of Mines and Petroleum, Santiago Vera, said on Tuesday that Venezuela oil production in July continued at a high level with a daily average of almost 2m. barrels.

TRADE.—A Finnish delegation left Helsinki for Moscow yesterday to negotiate new trade exchanges with the Soviet Union over the coming 12 months.

ANSWER.—The International Red Cross conference answered Communist attacks on the impartiality of its International Committee by adopting the Committee's amended statutes in Toronto on Tuesday night.

WINE PAGEANT IN RISHON

RISHON LEZION, Wednesday. — A wine pageant was staged by local children in the Hanadiv Gardens today, as part of the 70th birthday celebrations of this township.

Other events today included the opening of three exhibitions — documents and pictures on the history of Rishon; samples of local industry; and paintings and ceramics by local artists. The launching of the first boat, named Rishon LeZion, of the Wadi Rubin sea school also took place.

AN ADDITIONAL CLAIM for compensation from the Baker oil factory in Nahlat Yitzhak, arising out of the explosions and fire there last year, was lodged with the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday, when Mrs. Penina Libanon and her two daughters claimed IL.20,750 for the death of their husband and father.

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MR. Eshkol's announcement that immigrants living in temporary housing will be given permanent homes only in agricultural areas (provided that they are fitted for agricultural work) is a timely reminder that the apportioning of Government aid can help bring home to new citizens that they have duties as well as rights. Only 14 per cent of the country's labour force is engaged in agriculture.

MOSES AND WORKERS

Agriculture has already been the focus of considerable capital investment, and though, of course, there is room for more, the emphasis is now changing in favour of better use of what Israel already has. Agricultural areas are crying out for more labour, and there are still some dwellings in agricultural settlements standing empty, awaiting settlers. Still more rural housing can be built, and more land prepared in the coming year, provided that they can be settled; rural building will be facilitated by urban unemployment among building workers, who are now correspondingly more mobile.

Objections may be raised that this constitutes a restriction of human liberty; the fact is that objective circumstances limit our freedom, and so long as housing and other desiderata are in short supply, they will have to be allocated according to the needs of the national economy. The immigrant who wishes to live in Tel Aviv, and yet to enjoy subsidized housing, is asking for the best of both worlds, which at present cannot be spared.

Mr. Eshkol's announcement represents, we trust, only the first step towards improving Israel's occupational structure and productivity. The re-adjustment to productive life is a difficult one, which must be helped on by every means, both by rewards and deterrents.

LAND OF SONG

THE first time that the Jewish nation joined unanimously in song was — according to Rabbinic legend — at the Crossing of the Red Sea during the Exodus from Egypt when they were supposed to have sung the Song of Moses in antiphony with him. On that occasion Miriam the prophetess first asserted women's rights by leading the daughters of Israel out in a song and dance of their own after the nation had finished their piece.

The Purple service was distinguished by its beautiful choral singing, the choristers being highly skilled and having to undergo five years of specialized training. Ezra the Scribe led 200 singing men and women back from Babylon when the Jewish State was re-established and one must not, of course, forget Solomon who, although he sang a solo, succeeded in his Song of Songs in striking an echo in every female Jewish heart that has beaten since.

After the Second Destruction the Rabbis roundly condemned listening to music saying that those who did so would escape lightly if they were only striken deaf, but a few centuries later Hai Goan of Babylonia explained the Talmudic curse away with the theory that it only applied to those who gave ear to Arabian love songs. Glad he lived today he might have smoothed his view and stated that, provided Judaism enough to stray from the Kol Yisrael love-band endured sufficient punishment when they heard such peculiar musical exhibitions coming from non-distant lands).

In later epochs of Jewish story the synagogue choir was the main musical outlet of a cpie starved of opera and grand concerts, and many a Cantor sought to remedy the deficiency by a Pinsuvian fortissimo of the Aralim of Verdi or Puccini to fit the words of the sacred liturgy.

Yet, out of all this tradition, has emerged a popular amusement of Jewish choirs, singing duets during the next five weeks [illegible] communities abroad will vie with [illegible] Israel in a display of song. To all of them we [illegible] — or perhaps rather [illegible]

BEHIND THE M.E. NEWS

Lebanese Flare-Up

By ACHINOGEL

THERE is more literacy among the Lebanese population than in any other Arab country. More cosmopolitan and enterprising than most of their neighbours, many Lebanese emigrate to the Americas. The country straddles two important oil pipelines to the Mediterranean and is the centre of the world's gold trade. It has a Christian majority and proportionally more Communists — another Western influence — than other Middle East countries.

But this cosmopolitan veneer — so often cited as evidence of Lebanon's progressiveness — has not affected the country's political life. The Lebanese constitution is closely modelled on that of the French. "All there is as great a gulf between the political habits of the Lebanon and the spirit of Western democracy as there is, say, between the Sicilian vendetta and the writings of Mazzini. The inherited *esprit de clan* hems in political energies that might otherwise flow into wider streams.

The religious and ethnic pattern of Lebanese public life is anything but conducive to the spread of social ideas. This pattern is accented by the attempt to preserve the Christian character of the country. Bishara el Khoury's policy of full alignment with the Moslem Arab League is paradoxically a means to that end, but the country is politically exhausted with the pros and cons of this policy. It has imbued the Lebanon with the self-consciousness of a minority and has fortified the inherent separatism and particularism of each of its groups. Elections for a fixed number of seats for each community are contested in most cases by two families of Montagues and Capulets and by the most unscrupulous means — including promises of immunity from the law.

El Khoury

Gentlemen's Agreement

By "gentleman's agreements" all high offices are allotted to the representatives of the various religious communities. The ideology that the Finance Minister must always be a Christian may appear burlesque, but is suited to this rudimentary picture. Since no political platform exists, decisions must be based on the *ad hoc* consent of all communities, who are always threatening to join the equally amorphous opposition. Thus most major decisions have bogged down in attempts to create some unity among Government supporters; a vain hope, since all measures were bound to impinge on some private interest. Public revenues have been squandered on disguised bribes. Nothing has come of Lebanon's industrial, agricultural, and public works programmes. Lack of stability has increased the country's acute dearth of capital investment. As a result, unemployment has soared to 40,000 — not counting an estimated 100,000 semi-employed — against only 200,000 registered employed.

Sami e-Solh's present Government has run into trouble. When it was in fact appointed by Salim el Khoury, brother of the President and chairman of his "Destour" Party, some Government supporters had not, as usual, been consulted. One of them, Henry Pharoun, allied himself with the Opposition: Edde's "National Bloc," Kamil Junbulat's reformists, and former disgruntled members of the Government like Abdullah el Yafi, ex-Minister of War Rashid Bidoun, and some Members for Tripoli who considered the interests of their town prejudiced by the present Government. Pharoun raked up support wherever he could in and out of Parliament to strengthen the opposition by constitutional — and other methods.

The President became nervous. The "Destour" Press opened a campaign against Pharoun. One of the attackers was kidnapped by Pharoun's followers, and a bomb thrown into his house. Salim el Khoury did not take this lying down. The flat of one of Pharoun's sympathisers was ransacked and demolished. This was the signal for a general upheaval. The underworld seized its chance. Various gangs — styling themselves after ancient detective stories like "Arsin Lupin," "The Red Hand," etc. — started waves of pilfering, murder and rape. The underworld and the leadership of political groups are deviously connected but not always completely separated in the Middle East. The Opposition, under threat of the Emergency Legislation, enacted after the murder of Riyad e-Solh in March 1950, became bolder. Instead of veiled insinuations there were open attacks on the regime. Kamil Junbulat, Druze leader, published in his paper, "Anba," an article headed "The enemy has appointed you — the People will drive you out" (a reference to the President and General Spears).

The paper was closed and the editor arrested. This step did not take the full measure of the opposition whose papers reprinted the article in full. The Government then closed eight more papers and arrested their editors. All but three of the "Destour" papers then closed in sympathy. Demonstrations flared up and were suppressed with nervous vigour. The President cancelled his journey to Europe. Heads of Police and Gendarmerie were sacked on corruption charges. The civilian security forces were united under one command.

Press Boycott

Though outwardly some of the storm has blown over following Government threats, the feud between Press and Government continues. The Press has instituted a complete boycott, refusing to publish Government transfers and projects, and photographs of national ceremonies and announcements until the Emergency Laws have been repealed and the Press Law amended.

Meanwhile Bishara el Khoury has put out feelers to reshuffle Sami e-Solh's Cabinet on a broader basis, or even to appoint another Premier. Salib Salim, a Beirut M.P., well-known pro-British businessman, Hussein el Oweini, Premier who executed last year's elections, and Abdallah e Yafi are possible candidates. According to some sources, even Pharoun may be offered the job.

Whether these palliatives will prevent renewed flare-ups is doubtful. A straw in the wind is provided by an article by George Naccache, of "L'Orient," who proposed a dictatorship of President and Army. Bishara el Khoury himself is a tired man of not too stable health, but there is no knowing to what degree his opponents have been inspired by the recent trend towards dictatorships in the Lebanon's sister countries.

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Readers' Letters

T.A. TOWN PLANNING

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Permit me to say that the article "Master Plan for Expanding Tel Aviv" in your issue of July 18 represents an unauthorised use of an interview with me. I gave the interview for use in a series of sketches on "Life and People in Israel" in an American Magazine. Obviously, this highly personalised article should not be taken as a serious statement to the citizens of Tel Aviv and of Israel on the technical work of town planning past and present in this city. Because the original purpose was to feature one particular person, the article in its new use has the effect of ignoring or discrediting the past planners of Tel Aviv; this is a serious injustice. The article also gives a wrong understanding of how a town plan is worked out.

A town plan is the result not only of surveys, studies and the ability of the planner in charge but of the knowledge and experience of many people in the community and of the contributions of past planning. In its final form a town plan must express the ideas, ideals and aspirations of the informed citizenry, and reflect the destiny of their city its people want realised — and not only the opinion of the town planner. Unless a town plan is of this character it will not be adopted by the Municipality and certainly will not be carried out.

It is the intention of the Municipality to report to its citizens from time to time — through newspapers, radio, exhibitions, and talks to groups — on the work of town planning for the future development of Tel Aviv-Jaffa. I hope you will give your wholehearted support to this public information effort.

Yours etc.,
AARON B. HORWITZ
Chief Town Planner
Tel Aviv-Jaffa

Tel Aviv, August 3.

VISITS TO SPAIN

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Referring to a news item which appeared in your issue of June 12, "Negba Serves as a Floating Hotel," I would like to point out that the s. s. Negba was not the first Israel ship to touch at a Spanish port. Our ship called at Cartagena and Almeria in October last year, and other ships, among them the s.s. Hadar and the m.s. Tamar, have called at Spanish ports at least once before.

Yours etc.,
P. PERRYON, C/R/O
m/s. Rimon, July 22.

VISITORS' GALLERY

President of Modern Yeshiva

THE most luxurious Jewish religious school (Yeshiva) in America, and probably the world, is the Westchester Day School in fashionable Mamaroneck, Westchester County, 20 miles outside New York. It is situated in a 100 dunam estate which until a few years ago was the home of one of the oldest families in America.

Inside the ivy covered red-brick walls of the school building, which resembles a medieval chateau, some 150 second, third and fourth generation American boys and girls between the ages of five and 8 learn the Bible, the Talmud and other religious studies, and get a general education which compares favourably with any U.S. private school. Lessons are bilingual, but with emphasis upon modern Hebrew. The setting is magnificent. No expense had been spared when the building was erected 30 years ago. The children enter the building through hand carved Italian doors and enter a hallway floored in marble, with a tremendous crystal chandelier overhead. They climb marble steps to their class rooms, which have stained glass windows, Italian ceilings. Around the building are acres of lush lawn, a private forest. Also on the grounds are greenhouses, a stable which has been converted into a gymnasium and caretakers' quarters. The grounds front for 500 feet on Long Island Sound, giving the pupils a private beach.

The president of the school, Mr. Mortimer J. Propp, is now visiting this country with Mrs. Propp. He is not an educator. He owns the adjacent house. Four years ago he learned that the estate was for sale and contacted a group of Jews who were interested in establishing a Yeshiva in Westchester County. To scare the idea of putting it into such a setting appeared eyecatcher, but it went through.

New Experiment

"It is an entirely new experiment in Yeshiva education," says Mrs. Enia Propp, who is first vice president of the school's Parents-Teachers Association, "but it became successful far beyond expectations."

Marmaroneck is predominantly a Christian neighbourhood. The few Jewish families are for the most part "untraditional." But the school attracted a remarkable number of children from these assimilationist homes. A good number of the boys and girls who get a strict religious education there, come from homes which are not kosher.

"It is not a rich kids' school," says Mr. Propp. "It's true that some children are driven to school by private chauffeurs, but there are also the children of middle class shopkeepers from the neighbourhood. Forty percent of the children are on scholarships: their parents can't afford the tuition fees."

M.S.

ISRAEL SHIP BRINGS ONIONS TO EIRE

THE "Irish Times" in Dublin reports that the "Tamar," the first Israel ship to call at an Irish port, docked at the North Wall, Dublin, last month with a cargo of Spanish onions.

The Tamar, one of five modern fruit carriers specially built for the Israel Navigation Company, is under the command of 37-year-old Captain Ezra Reichert, who was recently awarded a £1,000 reward for his part in the rescue of a Greek cargo vessel which went aground on an island south of Greece. Captain Reichert told the "Irish Times" that he hopes to make regular calls at Dublin in the future.

ZIM

will sail on Sunday, August 10
HAIFA-MARSEILLES-TRIPOLI
Embarkation from 1 — 3 p.m.

S.S. "KEDMAH"
will sail on Tuesday, August 12
HAIFA-GENOA-MARSEILLES
Embarkation from 9 — 11 a.m.

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BALANCE SHEET AT DECEMBER 31, 1950.

1949 £		£	1950 £	1949 £		£	1950 £
	Share Capital, Authorised:			1,342,589	Investments (at cost, less amounts written off)		1,399,362
925,000	1,000,000 Ordinary Shares at 18/6 each	925,000			Market Value at December 31, 1950, £1,619,906. Contingent Liability for Uncalled Capital, £90,350		
75,000	75,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each	75,000		77,620	Loans and Deposits at Interest		99,620
1,000,000			1,000,000			£	
	Share Capital Issued and Subscribed:				Leasehold Properties (at cost)	59,072	
	1,000,000 Ordinary Shares of 18/6 each, 3/6 paid	275,000		20,116	Less amounts written off	10,161	48,907
	1,000 Ordinary Shares of £1 each fully paid	1,000		1,519,314			1,548,889
276,000			276,000		Current Assets:		
353,801	Reserves and Undistributed Profits		414,812		Agents' Balances		259,102
646,555	Insurance Funds		697,202		Due from Holding Company		89,813
	Current Liabilities, Provisions and Sundry Reserves: Claims admitted or intimated but not paid	207,197			Due from other Companies on Reinsurance Account		67,161
	Due to other Companies on Reinsurance Account	51,480			Sundry Debtors		4,353
	Creditors, Contingencies and Reserve for Taxation	234,805			Interest accrued but not payable		9,726
339,372	Proposed Dividend (less Income Tax)	4,650	373,071		Cash with Bankers and on Hand		160,351
1,716,318			£1,860,685	1,716,318			£1,860,685

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

1949 £		1950 £	1949 £		1950 £
	Interest, Dividends and Rents (less Income Tax)	37,401	—	United Kingdom Taxation	7,300
35,334	Transferred from:		13,297	Overseas Taxation	10,800
	Fire Account	10,945	2,500	Directors' Fees	2,813
19,650	Accident, Motor and General Account	3,454	13,805	Expenses not charged to other Accounts	13,439
28,453	Marine Account (from ascertained Profits of earlier years)	25,000	—	Loss on Exchange	1,140
26,000	Profit on Exchange	—	83,421	Balance carried down	43,550
19,646			113,113		£ 79,850
113,113		£ 79,850	4,650	Proposed Dividend for 1950 (less Income Tax)	4,650
	Balance forward from previous Year	23,975		Transferred to:	
80,394	Balance brought down	43,550	—	General Reserve	21,000
83,421	Provision for Taxation in previous years not required	10,325	75,000	Investment Reserve	—
—			23,975	Balance carried forward	10,325
173,815		£ 154,940	173,815		£ 154,940

WE CERTIFY THAT:—In our belief the Assets set forth in the above Balance Sheet are in the aggregate fully of the value stated. Part of the Assets has been deposited (a) under local laws in various places out of the United Kingdom as security for Policies there issued, (b) as guarantee for the payment of claims under Fidelity policies of other Companies. No part of any Fund has been applied, directly or indirectly, for any purpose other than the class of business to which it is applicable. Investments and Deposits in foreign currencies have been included at or under sterling cost at date of acquisition. Other foreign balances have been converted into sterling at the rates ruling on December 31, 1950. The total remuneration payable to Directors of the Company was £2,324 of which £2,063 was in respect of fees and £261 in respect of other emolestments.

April 23, 1951.

A. H. K. COBB, Chairman.
H. T. PIKE, General Manager.
A. MACKINNON, Directors.
L. C. M. GIBBS,

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit. In our opinion proper books of account have been kept by the Company so far as appears from our examination of those books, and proper returns adequate for the purposes of our audit have been received from branches not visited by us. We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Revenue Account which are in agreement with the books of account and returns. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us and as shown by the books, the said accounts, give the information required of Insurance Companies by the Companies Act, 1948, and the Rules and Regulations thereunder and the said Balance Sheet gives a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at December 31, 1950, and the Profit and Loss Account gives a true and fair view of the profit transferred to the general business revenue account for the year ended on that date.

IMPEY, CUDWORTH & CO.
Chartered Accountants,
Auditors.

London, April 23, 1951.

ISRAEL PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1950

	IL.		IL.
Reserve at beginning of Year	1,597	Claims paid and outstanding (less Reinsurance)	720
Premiums (less Reinsurance)	2,858	Commission (less Reinsurance)	263
		Agency Expenses	685
		Management Expenses, being 5% of Premium Income	91
		Reserve for Unexpired Risks, being 40% of Premium Income	716
		Profit	980
	IL.3,455		IL.3,455

We certify that the above Statement is a correct record of the business transacted in respect of the Israel Agency during the year ended December 31, 1950, as shown by the Books and Accounts of THE BRITISH OAK INSURANCE COMPANY LTD. to London and examined by us on August 31, 1951.

IMPEY, CUDWORTH & CO.
Chartered Accountants,
Auditors.

London, September 3, 1951.